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FM AMEMBASSY KIGALI

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INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

S E C R E T KIGALI 369

EXDIS

FOR DAVIS

E.O. 11652: XGDS

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SUBJECT: ZAIRE REPRESENTATION

1. FOR WHATEVER INTEREST IT MAY BE IN PUTTING TOGETHER ZAIRE PUZZLE, GOZ MADE UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORTS BOTH IN NAIROBI AND KIGALI TO INDUCE HOST GOVERNMENTS TO DISMANTLE ARRANGEMENTS FOR CORDIAL RECEPTION I RECEIVED BOTH PLACES.

2. SEEING ME OFF AT NAIROBI AIRPORT ASSISTANT MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS BABU WOOD TOLD ME ZAIRE AMBASSADOR HAD MADE SUCH REPRESENTATIONS TO HIM, ASKING HIM TO PASS THEM ON TO PRESIDENT KENYATTA. BABU WOOD INFORMED ZAIRE AMBASSADOR HE WOULD DO SO, BUT TOOK EXCEPTION TO ZAIRE INTERFERING IN FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN KENYA AND A THIRD STATE. ACCORDING TO BABU WOOD, KENYATTA'S COMMENT WAS: "THE AMERICANS MADE MOBUTU. IT IS AS IF THE AMERICANS FILLED A PLATE WITH SUCCULENT MORSELS AND SERVED IT TO MOBUTO. IN RETURN, MOBUTU FILLED A PLATE WITH (EXCREMENT) AND SERVED IT BACK."

3. THE BELGIAN AMBASSADOR HERE TOLD AMBASSADOR FRITTS

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THAT GOR AUTHORITIES REMARKED TO HIM ON THE "PROBLEMS

BEING POSED" BY ZAIRE IN CONNECTION WITH MY VISIT.
THE BELGIAN AMBASSADOR REPORTED THIS ON JUNE 25 AND IT
IS PROBABLE THAT THESE ZAIRE REPRESENTATIONS TOOK PLACE
DURING FOREIGN MINISTER MANDUNGU BULA'S VISIT TO
KIGALI FOR TRIPARTITE MEETING JUNE 19-21. I HAVE NO
INFORMATION INDICATING WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE CONTINUING.
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